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Training to be a leader in the service sector!

The service sector takes in a wide range of jobs, from personal and business services to tourism and hospitality. The number of jobs in this sector continues to grow. Over the last thirty years, the proportion of Ontario workers employed in the service sector has expanded from more than half to nearly three-quarters.

For example, in tourism and hospitality there are growing opportunities at the entry, supervisory, and management levels. To meet the demands of a global marketplace, the industry is establishing professional standards and training, and offering competitive salaries to attract dedicated and creative people.

Growth in jobs in personal services is benefiting from the growth in the number of families in which both parents work and increasingly look to businesses to provide them with support for everything from personal grooming to gardening.

Business services, such as network cable installation, are also a growing area.

More than 140 skilled trades can be learned through apprenticeship. Here are a few of the more popular ones in service industries:

Job	Job description	Length of time to train	Courses and skills that will help you prepare for a career in the service sector
Baker	Prepares bread, rolls, muffins, pies, and cakes for sale in bakeries, restaurants, and other establishments	3 to 4 years	Communications skills and math are assets for a career that requires creativity and love of food.
Cook	Prepares complete meals or individual dishes and food, plans menus, estimates food requirements and costs, and monitors and orders supplies	3 years	Communications skills and math are assets, as is the ability to work in a team and under pressure.
Hairstylist	Cuts and styles hair, and performs related services, such as providing beauty treatments, perms, and colours	2 to 3 years	Communications skills, science and basic math, and marketing and business courses
Horticulturalist	Plans, organizes, and directs the activities of greenhouses and nurseries that grow and sell trees, shrubs, flowers, and plants; also plans and develops landscapes	2 1/4 years	Math, English, and communications skills, as well as technical skills to work safely with power tools and pesticides
Network cabling specialist	Reads blueprints, selects appropriate cables, plans and installs wiring systems, and troubleshoots	2 years	Math, science, and communications skills, including the ability to read and interpret technical documents

Apprenticeship training

Apprenticeship is hands-on training for motivated people who enjoy learning by doing. The training provides access to well-paying jobs that demand a high level of skills, judgement, and creativity. Apprentices are paid while gaining work experience, and their wages increase with their level of skills.

About 90 per cent of apprenticeship training is provided in the workplace by employers. The remainder involves classroom instruction on theory, which is usually given at a local community college or provided by another approved training organization.

To become an apprentice, an applicant must find an employer who is willing to train. Such jobs are rarely advertised, and, instead, employers often rely on word of mouth to attract applicants. People who want to become apprentices usually apply directly to an employer, union, or joint industrial committee.

If you have a question about apprenticeship training,
call the Ontario government's Training Hotline at 1-888-JOBGROW.
In Toronto, call (416) 326-5656.

If you are in high school, talk to your guidance counsellor.
If you are in college or university, call your campus placement office for help.
To find out about careers in the service sector, check out the Career Gateway at
www.youthjobs.gov.on.ca.

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